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SUBJECT: WAIVER OF TRAVEL DEPOSIT

1. DEPARTMENT HAS HAD A REQUEST FROM THE FAMILY OF U.S. CITIZEN FATHER CHRISTOPHER BALAS FOR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING A WAIVER OF THE BRAZILIAN TRAVEL DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT.
2. FATHER BALAS WAS SCHEDULED TO TRAVEL TO THE U.S. ON HOME LEAVE JUNE 22. HE HAS BEEN DELAYED BY DRAWN OUT PROCESSING OF HIS REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION OF THE TRAVEL DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT. (FAMILY AND DEPARTMENT UNCLEAR AS TO BASIS FOR EXEMPTION REQUEST.) FATHER BALAS HAS ALREADY APPLIED FOR THE WAIVER IN RIO DE JANEIRO.
3. SINCE THEN, FATHER BALAS' FIRST COUSIN HAS DIED. THE FAMILY IS POSTPONING THE FUNERAL IN HOPES FATHER BALAS CAN ATTEND. IN ADDITION, HIS NEPHEW HAS OBTAINED LEAVE FROM THE US NAVY SPECIFICALLY TO SEE FATHER BALAS.

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4. DEPARTMENT IS FULLY AWARE AND IN AGREEMENT WITH POST POLICY WITH RESPECT TO OBTAINING WAIVERS OF TRAVEL DEPOSIT FOR US CITIZENS. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS HOWEVER THAT A CONSULAR OFFICER CONTACT FATHER BALAS, OBTAIN CLARIFICATION OF SITUATION, AND OFFER ANY ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE WITHIN THE

SCOPE OF THE POST'S POLICY. AT POST'S DISCRETION, AND IF

SOME GROUNDS FOR A WAIVER APPEAR APPLICABLE, CONSULTATION WITH PROPER BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES REGARDING POSSIBLE EXPEDITION OF THE WAIVER PROCEDURES WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. FATHER BALAS CAN BE REACHED AT: PAROQUIA SANTA RITA DE CASSIA, DIOCESE DE ITUMBIARA, C.E.P. 76,160, PONTALINA, GOIAS.

5. DUE TO TIMING DIFFICULTIES WITH RESPECT TO FAMILY'S PLANNING FOR THE FUNERAL, DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE AN INTERIM REPORT ON DISCUSSION AND ASSISTANCE GIVEN TO FATHER BALAS BY COB TUESDAY, JULY 26. VANCE

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